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11. (SBU) Pol/Econ Officer March 23 delivered reftel demarche to Masudur Rahman, Director of the Americas Wing at Bangladesh's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Rahman relayed the message to the relevant authority in his Ministry, but did not comment on Bangladesh's expected position on the vote.

NOTE: Bangladesh has consistently voted along with other members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on similar resolutions in the past.

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